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Subject: Shipyards at Petrosavodsk (Kalininsk), Karela
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- A. The Schichau Shipyards of Elbing, (Elblag) East Prussia, were dismantled and shipped by rail to Petrosavodsk, on Lake Onega, where they arrived in January 1946. [REDACTED] Comment: Lake Onega is connected to the Baltic and White Seas by the Baltic-White Sea Canal.)
- B. While in Elbing, these yards were capable of building vessels of 36,000 tons. The naval supply-ships "Dittmarschen" and "Nordmark", both of 22,000 tons, were built in the Schichau yards.
- C. In Petrosavodsk, however, the yards will be used for the construction of small vessels averaging 1,000 tons registry. Two such ships can be built at the same time. Planned construction time is six months. The keel of a gun-boat was laid in March 1946.
- D. 600 German PWs, classified as specialists, were employed in setting up the yards in April 1946.

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